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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

I. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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*/ In accordance with Board decision 378 (XXXVI), the special session is to take place during the week of 5 to 9 March. The duration of the session will be determined in consultation with regional groups. The dates will need to be co-ordinated with those of the consultations which will precede the thirty-sixth session, second part, of the Trade and Development Board, and which are to be held during the same week.

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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The sixteenth special session of the Trade and Development Board is convened pursuant to paragraphs 7 and 8 of Board decision 317 (S-XIV) of 27 June 1985.

Item 1 Procedural matters

(a) Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session

At the first part of its thirty-second session, on 21 March 1986, the Board approved the provisional agenda for the special session of the Board which would deal with the question of compensatory financing of export earnings shortfalls. 1/

(b) Adoption of the report on credentials

Under rule 17.2 of the rules of procedure of the Board, the Bureau is required to examine the credentials of representatives and to submit its report thereon to the Board.

Item 2 Compensatory financing of export earnings shortfalls: report of the Intergovernmental Group of Experts convened pursuant to Board decision 317 (S-XIV)

The Board, in paragraph 7 of its decision 317 (S-XIV) of 27 June 1985, requested the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to convene an intergovernmental group of experts on the compensatory financing of export earnings shortfalls, which, in the light of the inputs requested in paragraphs 4 and 6 of that decision, was requested to continue the analysis of the need for a new facility as well as to undertake further work on the rules and modalities of any additional complementary facility. Furthermore, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, in chapter II, section B.5 of the Final Act of UNCTAD VII, requested the Intergovernmental Group of Experts on the Compensatory Financing of Export Earnings Shortfalls to take into account the implications of export earnings shortfalls and, when making its recommendations, to consider the various institutional options, bearing in mind the balance-of-payments and/or commodity-related approaches.

The Intergovernmental Group of Experts on the Compensatory Financing of Export Earnings Shortfalls met three times, namely from 7 to 18 July 1986, 14 to 18 September 1987, and 10 to 14 April 1989. The Group's agreed conclusions at its first session and at its second session (first part) as well as its conclusions and recommendations at its resumed second session are contained respectively in annexes I, II, and III of TD/B/1216-TD/B/AC.43/11.

The Board, in paragraph 8 of its decision 317 (S-XIV), is requested to decide upon requisite follow-up action, including the possible convening of a negotiating conference on an additional complementary facility.

Item 3 Other business

Item 4 Adoption of the report of the Board

1/ See TD/B/1096, annex IV.